

Remarks

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 1-7 and 9-11 are pending in the application, with claim 1 being the independent claim. Claim 8 is sought to be cancelled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter therein. New claim 11 is sought to be added. These changes are believed to introduce no new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested.

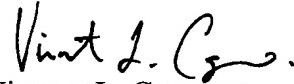
Support for the amendment to claims 1-7 and 9-11 is found, *inter alia*, in the originally filed claims 1-10 respectively. Claims 3-4, 6 and 9-10 are amended to eliminate multiple dependency. Support for new claim 11 is found, *inter alia*, in the originally filed claims 1-4.

Conclusion

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested. Applicants believe the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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